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GO SERV "SPOTLIGHT" HONORS VOLUNTEER DEDICATED TO MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Grass Valley Resident Understands Making A Difference

SACRAMENTO – On Saturday, October 26th, our nation will celebrate Make a Difference Day, a national service day on which people volunteer in their community. It is in this spirit that the GO SERV *Spotlight* shines on Sue Dailey, a woman whose dedication to helping young at-risk women makes an enormous difference every day in the lives of these women.

"Make a Difference Day gives us all the opportunity to get out and give something back to our community," Executive Director of GO SERV, Chuck Supple said. "Sue Dailey's service makes an enormous difference in the lives of these young women, not just on one day of the year, but on each and every day."

Sue has been a volunteer for the past 5 years with the Friendship Club in Nevada City. The Friendship Club is a nonprofit organization that provides mentoring and tutoring to atrisk girls ranging from age ten to seventeen.

In her time with the Friendship Club, Sue has volunteered as a Friendship Angel, a tutor, and a mentor. Through these different programs, Sue has had a positive impact on over 100 girls in her community.

Her first experience with the Friendship Club was as a Friendship Angel. Sue worked diligently to gain the trust of a young girl living with her grandparents because her mother had substance abuse problems. Sue provided a listening ear and a supportive shoulder as this girl experienced good and bad times, including the untimely death of her mother. Through all of this, Sue was one person this girl relied on, and she never faltered in her support.

Sue has also been a Spring Mentor, where she taught one of her girls how to sew. Together they designed and created the girl's eighth grade graduation dress. Naturally, Sue attended the graduation. Sue's dedication to supporting these girls in truly unique and special ways is what sets her apart from other volunteers. Time and time again Sue has gone above and beyond because of the impact she knows she has on these girls.

Aside from her volunteer time, Sue also acts as a liaison between the Friendship Club's Board of Directors and the staff members. Additionally, she acts as the Volunteer Coordinator for the Friendship Club and meets weekly with other staff to make sure that their volunteers are organized and are providing the support that the girls need.

Sue embodies the spirit of Make a Difference Day because of the difference she has made in the lives of so many adolescent girls. Her dedication makes us here at GO SERV honored to feature Sue Daily as this week's *Spotlight*.

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